

HUBBLE SPACE TELESCOPE PROJECT

HST SM4 Battery Capacity

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BMA Capacity Test Vortex Cart

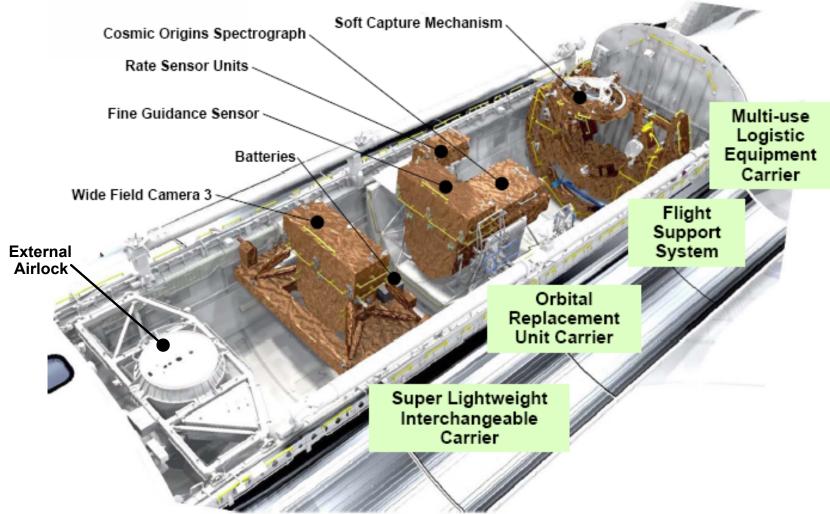


BMA 0°C Capacity Test Using Vortex Cooling Carts





Shuttle Pay Load Locations





BMA Capacity Test Super Lightweight Instrument Carrier (SLIC)



SLIC Mockup Showing One Battery Module



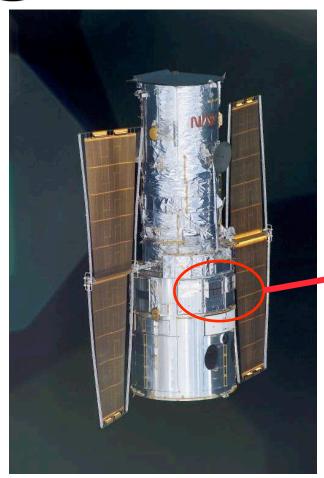


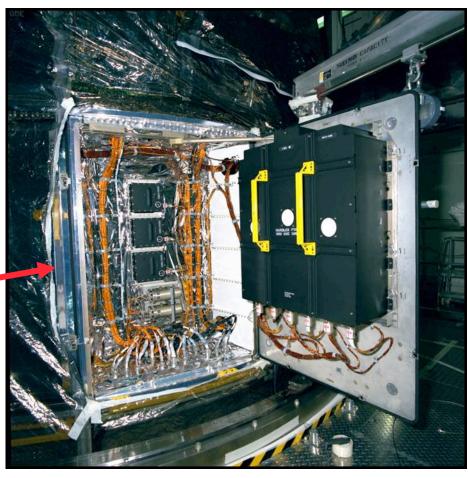
HST Capture by Shuttle





BMA Installed onto HST





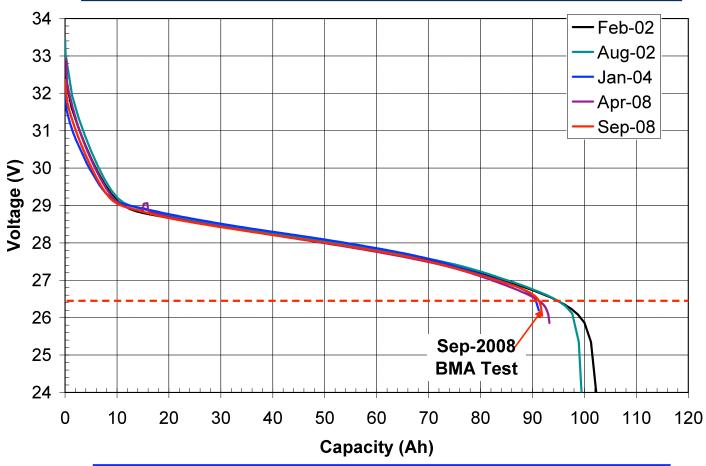
Servicing Bays for Batteries



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SM-4 Battery Shelf Life Study

BMA Capacity Trend BMA 1033, Battery S/N 1165

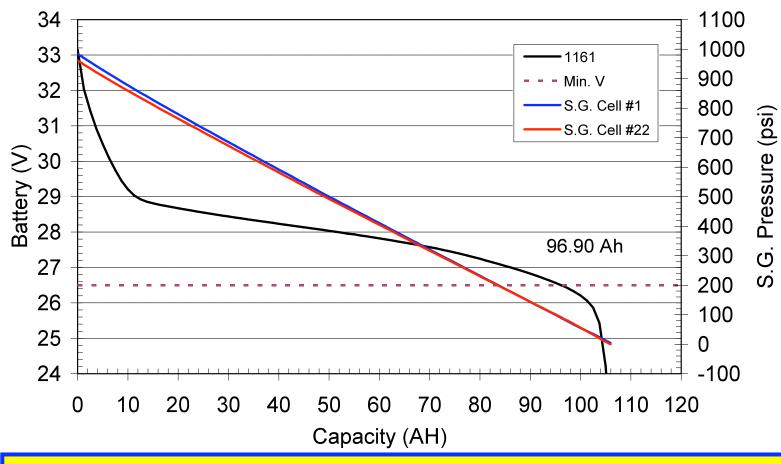


2008 BMA Capacity Test Verifies
Capacity Requirement >86 Ah to 26.5V

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February-2002 Battery ATP 0 °C Capacity Test Battery S/N 1161

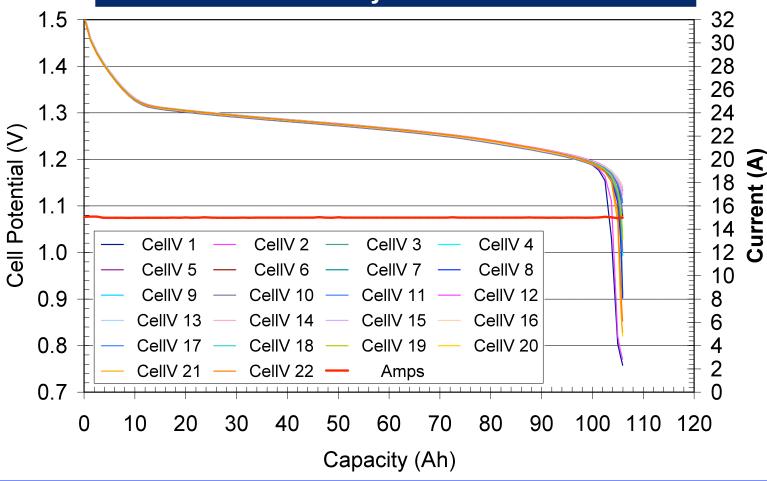


Full Range Pressure Telemetry – Not Truncated at ~200 psi





February-2002 Battery ATP 0 °C Capacity Test Battery S/N 1161

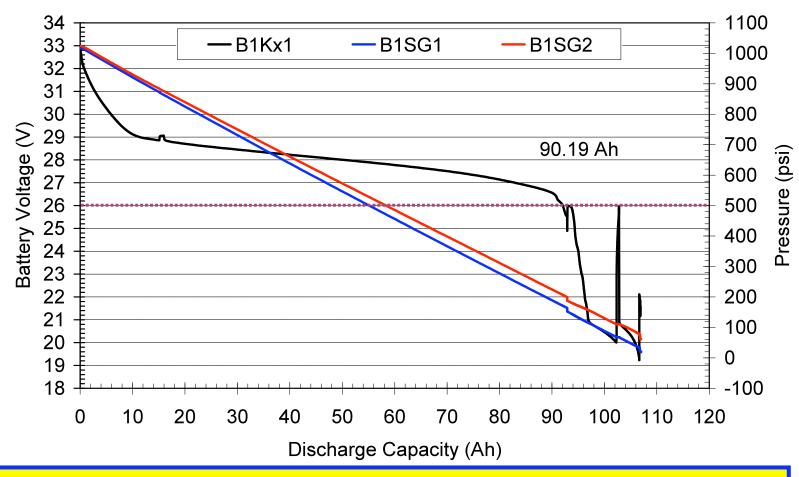


No Sign of 2nd Plateau Capacity – Cells Well Matched





March 2008 Battery ATP 0 °C Capacity Test Battery S/N 1161

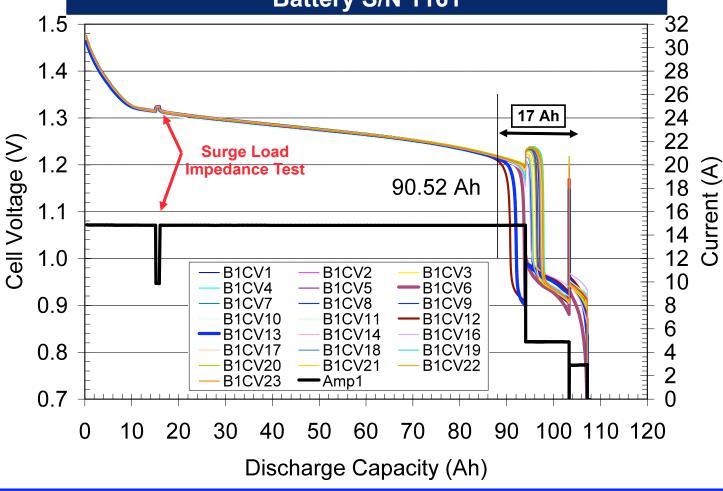


Note 200 psi Remains When Battery Reaches 26.5V







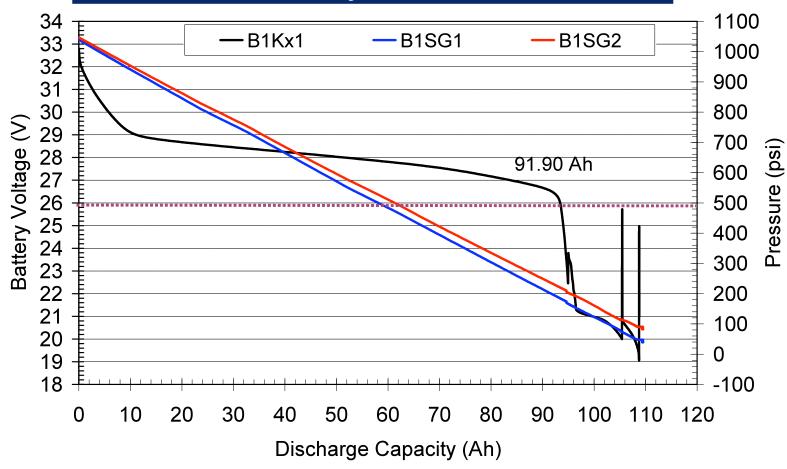


Significant 2nd Plateau Capacity Observed





September 2008 Battery ATP 0 °C Capacity Test Battery S/N 1161

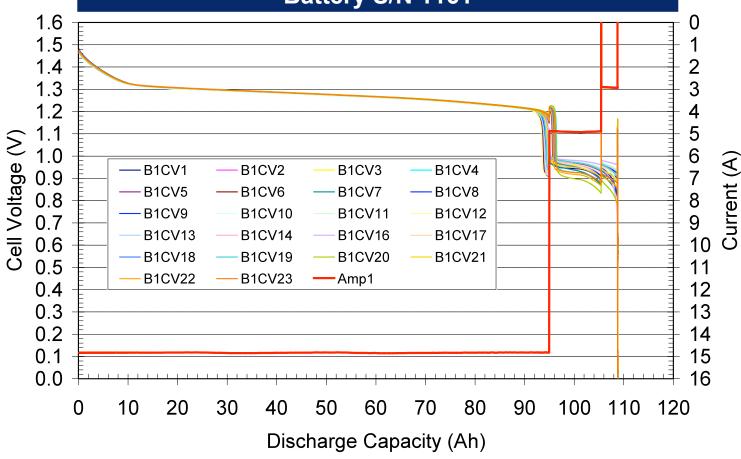


91.90 Ah Observed Capacity - Meets 86 Ah Requirement





September-2008 BMA 0 °C Capacity Test Battery S/N 1161

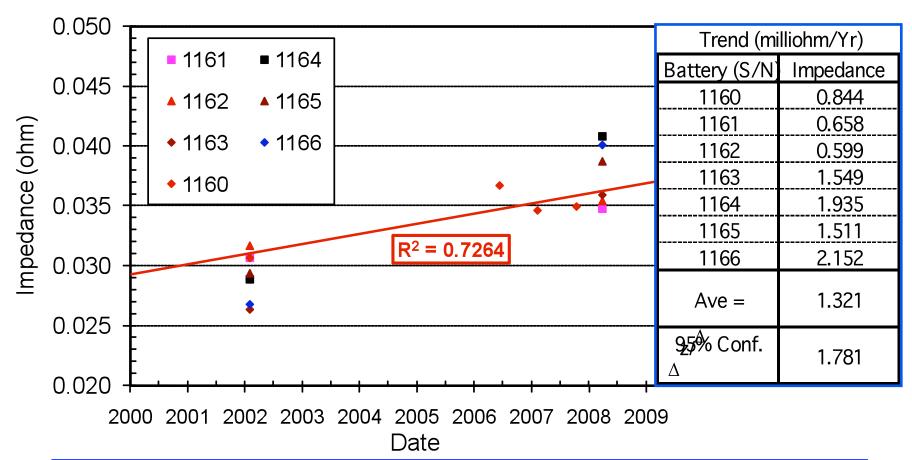


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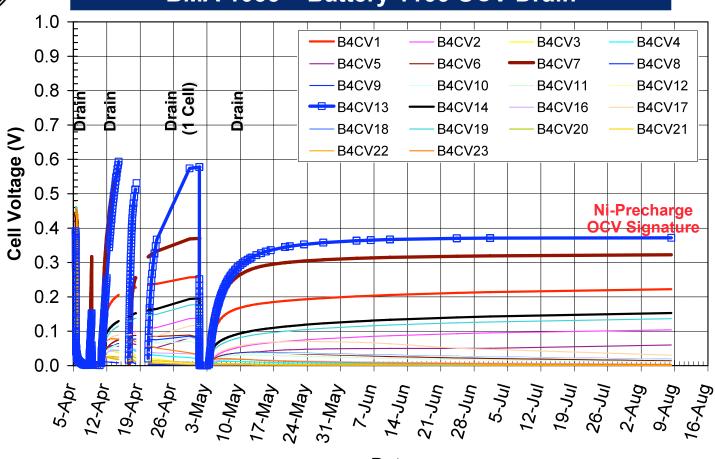
Surge Load Impedance Trend



Impedance From Surge Load Test Increases With Age Lot 11 Cells Increasing Faster Than Lot 10







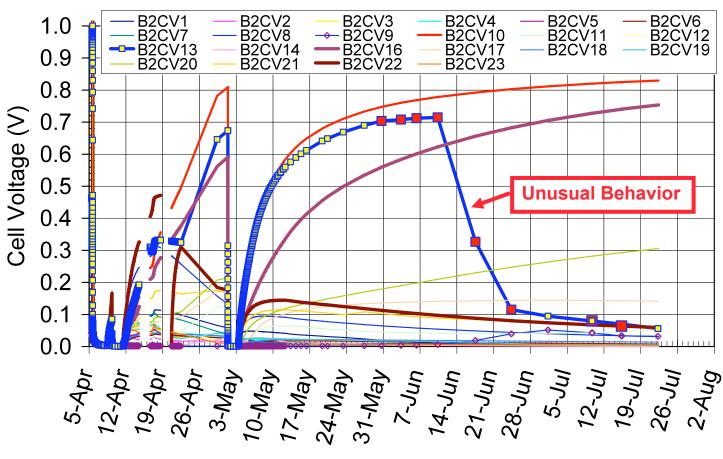
Date

Cell Voltages Below 0.5V for Cold Storage
All Ni-Precharge





BMA 1032 - Battery 1162 OCV Drain



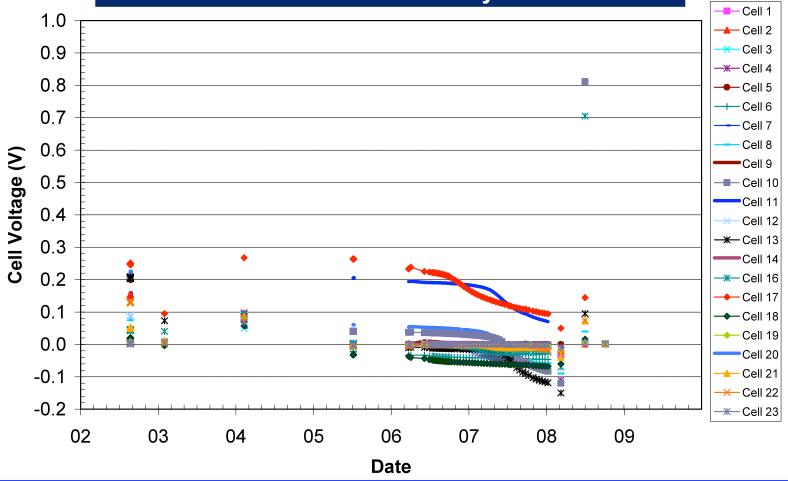
Time (Hrs)

OCV Signatures Suggests Mixture of Ni Species





BMA 1032 – Battery 1162 OCV Drain History

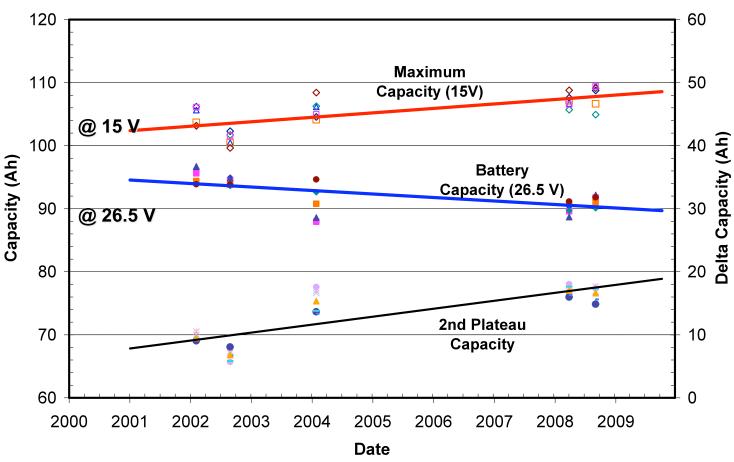


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HST Flight Battery 0 °C Capacity Trending



Total Ah Increase with Age (Ni-Precharge Loss) - Usable Ah Decreases with 2nd Plateau Ah Increases





Summary of HST Battery Flight Readiness

- Flight Battery Storage History
 - 4 Year Dry Storage
 - 8 Year Wet Storage
 - Flight Battery Test History
 - Battery ATP (5 Cycles) (2002)
 - Module ATP
 - Eagle Picher Module ATP (2002)
 - GSFC Acceptance ATP (2004)
 - GSFC Capacity Check ATP (3-2008)
 - GSFC Preship Capacity Test (9-2008)
 - KSC Wakeup Capacity Test (9-2008)
 - Capacity and Impedance Growth Observed
- Preship Capacity Test
 - 92 Ah at 0 C
 - 86 Ah Requirement

Flight Batteries are "Good to Go"

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